

House of Representatives

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Substitute House Bill No. 5743

House of Representatives, March 30, 2000

The Committee on Judiciary reported through REP. LAWLOR of the 99th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

An Act Concerning Universal Enforcement Authority For Labor Law Violations.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 (NEW) Any investigator employed by a division or unit within the
- 2 Labor Department, the Department of Consumer Protection or the
- office of the Chief State's Attorney who, while investigating a claim
- 4 that falls within the investigator's jurisdiction, becomes aware of a
- 5 potential violation of any provision of title 31 of the general statutes
- 6 shall make complaint to the proper prosecuting authority.

LAB Committee Vote: Yea 10 Nay 2 JFS C/R JUD

JUD Committee Vote: Yea 40 Nay 0 JF

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OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: None

Affected Agencies: Department of Labor, Department of

Consumer Protection, Division of Criminal

Justice

Municipal Impact: None

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OLR Bill Analysis

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AN ACT CONCERNING UNIVERSAL ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY FOR LABOR LAW VIOLATIONS.

SUMMARY:

This bill requires investigators from the Labor and Consumer Protection departments and the Chief State's Attorney's Office to file a complaint with the appropriate prosecuting authority if they become aware of a state labor law violation in the course of their investigations.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2000

LABOR LAW VIOLATIONS

The bill requires investigators to report Title 31 violations to appropriate prosecutors. This title includes provisions concerning employment regulation; personnel files; wages; labor organizations, relations, and disputes; the State Board of Mediation and Arbitration; private employment and information agencies; unemployment compensation; workers' compensation; occupational health clinics; occupational safety and health; and emergency municipal public works employment.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Labor and Public Employees Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute Change of Reference Yea 10 Nay 2

Judiciary Committee

Joint Favorable Report

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Yea 40 Nay 0